

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2007
GOOCHLAND HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

James L. Haskell, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present were:

James L. Haskell, Chairman
Andrew A. Meng, III, Vice Chairman
Mr. Maxwell G. Cisne
Mr. Raymond A. Miller
Mr. Ivan O. Mattox, Sr.
Dr. Linda A. Underwood, Superintendent

Also attending were:

Debra Beasley, Director of Special Education and Student Services
Thomas M. DeWeerd, Director of Secondary Education
Jon Bennett, Principal, Goochland High School
Christin Ciminelli, Assistant Principal, Goochland Middle School
Stacey Austin, Principal, Randolph Elementary School
Dianna Gordon, Principal, Goochland Elementary School
James Hopkins, Principal, Byrd Elementary School

The Media was represented by:

Lee Francis, *The Goochland Courier*
Brad Franklin, *The Goochland Gazette*

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sean DeArras, an 11th grade student at Goochland High School.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Dr. Underwood provided an Agenda addendum to the Board.

FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

- Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, December 12, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex Conference Room, if necessary, for a Personnel Action.
- Schools will be closed for Winter Break at the end of the school day on December 21, 2007. Schools will reopen on January 3, 2008.
- There will be no School Board workshop in December.
- Oath of Office Ceremony is Friday, December 28, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Circuit Court Courtroom.
- Special Board Meeting on Friday, December 28, 2007, if necessary, in the Annex Conference Room dealing with the budget.
- There will be a School Board Reorganization Meeting on January 8, 2008 at the beginning of the regular monthly business meeting.

CONSENT ITEMS

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

MINUTES

BILLS/PAYROLL

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval:

November 13, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes, November 15, 2007 Special Meeting Minutes, November 20, 2007 Budget Workshop Minutes, and November 27, 2007 workshop minutes, bills and payroll for November, and Personnel Actions.

Appointments:

Allen L. Britt, GMS, Part-time Cleaner
Justin Mitchell, GHS/GMS, Part-time Cafeteria

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the Consent items as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED FY 2008-2009 BUDGET

Dr. Underwood presented the final version of the proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget. Changes were made adding additional monies for employer contribution toward dependant health care benefits, increased fuel costs, as well as additional buses. The total proposed FY 2008-2009 budget is \$28,121,840.

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the proposed FY 2008-2009 Budget as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Use of Construction Funds:** Dr. Underwood stated the balance of total construction funds is \$188,722.60. She proposes using \$89,460 to complete the

track/field at GMS/GHS, which would leave a balance of \$71,262.60 in unused construction funds.

- Survey Information: Dr. Underwood presented draft survey results to the Board. Quisenberry & Warren is still correcting the data (some students were mislabeled). Additional data will be brought back in January as well as uses for the data.
- CIP: Dr. Underwood advised the Board of the change in the County's CIP process. The Board may need a meeting on December 28, 2007 to go through the CIP.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Meng made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to go into closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(2) for the discussion or consideration of three student disciplinary matters and pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(1) for the discussion or consideration of the resignation of the Director of Finance and Operations and pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-3711(A)(7) for consultation with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice – proposed Separation Agreement and Release between the Goochland County School Board and the Director of Finance and Operations.

END CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Miller for the Board to come out of Closed Meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED MEETING

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to certify that only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to long-term suspend student #4-07 for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year and to allow student #4-07 to attend Project Return during the term of student #4-07's suspension. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Cisne made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Miller, to long-term suspend student #5-07 for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year and to allow student #5-07 to attend Project Return during the term of student #5-07's suspension.

Mr. Mattox made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to long-term suspend student #6-07 for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year and to allow student #6-07 to attend Project Return during the term of student #6-07's suspension.

Mr. Miller made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Cisne, to approve the Separation Agreement and Release between the Goochland County School Board and Saa'dia Talbert and to authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement on behalf of the School Board.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman.

APPROVED:

Andrew J. Hayes
Signature

1-8-08
Date

APPROVED:

Spida P. Newbold
Signature

1-8-08
Date